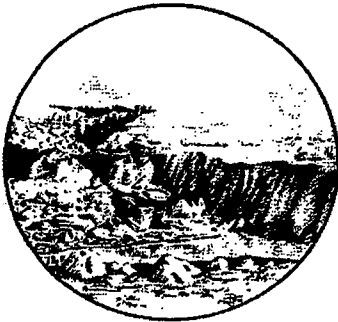


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CITY OF NOME

Celebrating 100 Years of Gold Rush History

Incorporated April 9, 1901

Via Facsimile

October 19, 2004

Honorable Frank Murkowski
State of Alaska
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Governor Murkowski,

On the evening of October 18 and into the morning of October 19, 2004 the City of Nome was hit by a severe coastal storm causing damage to City power infrastructure, roads and forcing residences to evacuate homes. Based on the preliminary damage assessment the City of Nome Common Council has approved a declaration of disaster.

We utilized the Nome Volunteer Fire Department and the Nome Volunteer Ambulance Department as propane tanks and downed power lines threatened life and structures on Front Street.

The City of Nome requested and received assistance from the Alaska State Troopers and Alaska Army National Guard. The City of Nome is grateful for their help during our time of need.

The City of Nome still has coastal flood warning in affect until Wednesday. We will keep you posted on our situation.

If you have any questions please call us at 443-2310, we are utilizing the Nome Fire Department as our Emergency Operations Center.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise Michels". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right. It is positioned over the printed name "Denise Michels".

Denise Michels
Mayor

cc: Nome Common Council

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**City of Nome
Declaration of Disaster**

WHEREAS, commencing on October 19, 2004, the City of Nome, Alaska sustained severe losses and threats to life and property from the current 2004 Sea and Wind Storm; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Nome is a political subdivision within the State of Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, the following conditions exist as a result of the disaster emergency Coastal flooding and River Flooding impacting all areas along the Nome Coastal Water Front and Nome River Fronts (Nome River and Snake River), significant and severe power outages caused by the high winds, failures in power distribution system from high water and high winds, multiple propane leaks caused by wave damage, road damage from high water, and damage to structures; and,

WHEREAS, the storm necessitated temporary relocation of residents to City or private shelter and closure of businesses; and

WHEREAS, the severity and magnitude of the emergency is beyond the timely and effective response capability of local resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Nome does declare a Disaster Emergency per AS 26.23.140 to exist in the municipality of Nome.

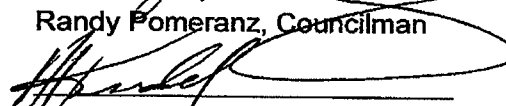
FURTHERMORE, it is requested that the Governor declare a Disaster Emergency to exist as described in AS 26.23 and provide State assistance to Nome in its response and recovery from this event.


FURTHER, the undersigned certifies that the City of Nome has or will expend local resources in the amount of \$100,000.00, as a result of this disaster for which State or Federal reimbursement maybe be requested.

SIGNED this 19th day of October 2004:

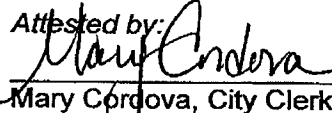

Denise Michels, Mayor of Nome


Randy Pomeranz, Councilman


Mary Knodel, Councilwoman


Stan Andersen, Councilman


John Bockman, Councilman

Attested by:

Mary Cordova, City Clerk